## **Listing of Claims**:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

- (Currently amended) A tool handle adapted to be connected to a tool head, said handle comprising:
  - a) first and second legs, each of said legs having a first end and a second end;
  - b) a first cross-member extending between said first and second legs proximate said first ends thereof;
  - a second cross-member extending between said first and second legs proximate
    said second ends thereof;
  - d) an inner grip handle connected to and extending between said first and second legs between said first and second ends thereof;
  - e) an outer grip handle connected to said first cross-member and extending approximately perpendicular to said first cross-member; and
  - f) a tool head connector connected to said second cross-member; said tool head connector adapted for connecting a tool head thereto.
- 2. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 1 wherein said first and second legs are formed from telescoping members to permit selective adjustment of the length of said tool handle.

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- 3. (currently amended) The tool handle as in Claim 1 wherein said first and second legs extend in parallel relation and said inner grip handle is slidably connected to said first and second legs by a sliding connector so as to be moveable toward and away from said first cross-member.
- 4. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 1 wherein said inner grip handle is pivotable between a first position and a second position, in said first position said inner grip handle is generally positioned against said first and second legs and in said second position said inner grip handle extends outward from a plane extending through said first and second legs of said tool handle.
- (currently amended) The tool handle as in Claim 1 wherein said outer grip handle is
  rotatable selectively rotates about an axis extending through said first cross-member.
- 6. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 5 further comprising means for securing said outer grip handle in a selected rotational orientation relative to said first and second legs.

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7. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 5 further comprising a locking member releasably securing said outer grip handle in a selected rotational orientation relative to said first and second legs.

- 8. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 1 wherein said tool head connector comprises:
  - a) a connecting member having a threaded outer end for threading into a threaded receiver in a tool head; and
  - b) wherein said connecting member is rotatably connected to said second crossmember and securable in a selected rotational orientation relative to said second cross-member to allow alignment of said tool head with said tool handle.
- 9. (currently amended) A tool handle adapted to be connected to a tool head, said tool handle comprising:
  - a) a leg having a first end and a second end and adapted for connection to a tool head at said second end;
  - b) an inner grip handle connected to said leg between said first and second ends and having an inner hand grip extending generally perpendicular to said leg; and
  - c) an outer grip handle <del>rotatably</del> connected to said leg proximate said first end and rotatable selectively rotating about a pivot axis extending through said first end of

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said leg, said pivot axis extending approximately perpendicular to a tool handle

axis generally extending through said first and second ends of said leg.

10. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 9 wherein said leg is formed from telescoping

members to permit selective adjustment of the length of said tool handle.

11. (currently amended) The tool handle as in Claim 9 wherein said inner grip handle is

slidably connected to said leg by a sliding connector.

12. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 9 wherein said inner grip handle is pivotable

between a first position and a second position, in said first position said inner grip handle

is generally positioned against said leg and in said second position said inner grip handle

extends outward from said leg.

13. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 9 further comprising means for securing said outer

grip handle in a selected rotational orientation relative to said leg.

14. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 5 further comprising a locking member releasably

securing said outer grip handle in a selected rotational orientation relative to said leg.

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15. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 9 further comprising:

a) a tool head connecting member having a threaded outer end for threading into a

threaded receiver in a tool head; and

b) wherein said connecting member is rotatably connected to said leg at said second

end and securable in a selected rotational orientation relative to said second cross-

member to allow alignment of said tool head with said tool handle.

16. (currently amended) A tool handle selectively securable to a plurality of tool heads, said

tool handle comprising:

a) a telescoping leg assembly having first and second ends;

b) a tool head connecting member located at a second end of said telescoping leg

assembly and adapted for selectively and removably connecting a selected one of

said plurality of tool heads to said tool handle;

c) an inner grip handle having a grip extending generally perpendicular to said

telescoping leg assembly said inner grip handle connected to said telescoping leg

assembly by a sliding connector.

17. (currently amended) The tool handle as in Claim 16 wherein said inner grip handle is

slidably connected to said telescoping leg assembly said sliding connector comprises at

least one sleeve at least partially surrounding said telescoping leg assembly.

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- 18. (original) The tool handle as in Claim 16 wherein said inner grip handle is pivotable between a first position and a second position, in said first position said inner grip handle is generally positioned against said telescoping leg assembly and in said second position said inner grip handle extends outward from said telescoping leg assembly.
- 19. (currently amended) The tool handle as in Claim 16 further comprising an outer grip handle rotatably connected to said telescoping leg assembly proximate a first end of said telescoping leg assembly and rotatable said outer grip handle selectively rotating about a pivot axis extending approximately perpendicular to a tool handle axis generally extending through said first and second ends of said telescoping leg assembly.

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20. (New) A tool handle adapted to be connected to a tool head, said tool handle comprising:

- a) first and second legs, each of said legs having a first end and a second end;
- b) a first cross-member extending between said first and second legs proximate said first ends thereof;
- a second cross-member extending between said first and second legs proximate
  said second ends thereof;
- d) an inner grip handle connected to and extending between said first and second legs between said first and second ends thereof;
- e) an outer grip handle mounted on said first cross-member between said first and second legs and extending approximately perpendicular to said first cross-member; and
- f) a tool head connector connected to said second cross-member; said tool head connector adapted for connecting a tool head thereto.
- 21. (New) The tool handle as in Claim 20 wherein said outer grip handle selectively rotates about an axis extending through said first cross-member.

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22. (New) A tool handle adapted to be connected to a tool head, said handle comprising:

a) first and second legs, each of said legs having a first end and a second end and portions of said first and second legs extending in parallel relation,

- b) a first cross-member extending between said first and second legs proximate said first ends thereof;
- c) a second cross-member extending between said first and second legs proximate said second ends thereof;
- d) a tool head connector connected to said second cross-member between said first and second legs and projecting outward therefrom; said tool head connector adapted for connecting a tool head thereto; and
- e) an inner grip handle pivotally mounted on sliding connectors which are slidingly connected to said first and second legs such that said inner grip handle is slidable toward and away from said second cross-member and said inner grip handle is pivotable between a retracted position and an operating position, in said operating positions said inner grip handle extends outward from a plane defined by said portions of said first and second legs extending in parallel relation.
- 23. (New) The tool handle as in Claim 22 wherein each of said sliding connectors comprises a sleeve at least partially surrounding said first and second legs respectively.